

## BILL ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 999  
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Elections  
Committee Report (Substituted)

### BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

Interested parties contend that current law is inconsistent regarding when a directors election for certain water districts is required to be held. C.S.H.B. 999 seeks to rectify this inconsistency.

### CRIMINAL JUSTICE IMPACT

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly create a criminal offense, increase the punishment for an existing criminal offense or category of offenses, or change the eligibility of a person for community supervision, parole, or mandatory supervision.

### RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

It is the committee's opinion that this bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, department, agency, or institution.

### ANALYSIS

C.S.H.B. 999 amends the Water Code to specify that a directors election for certain water districts required to be held after confirmation of the applicable district on the uniform election date in May of each even-numbered year is required to be held on such date unless the district holds its general election for officers on a date as otherwise provided by statute.

### EFFECTIVE DATE

September 1, 2017.

### COMPARISON OF ORIGINAL AND SUBSTITUTE

While C.S.H.B. 999 may differ from the original in minor or nonsubstantive ways, the following comparison is organized and formatted in a manner that indicates the substantial differences between the introduced and committee substitute versions of the bill.

#### INTRODUCED

SECTION 1. Section 49.103(b), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:  
(b)

After confirmation of a district, an election shall be held on a [the] uniform election date, provided by Section 41.001, Election Code, [in May of each even-numbered year]

#### HOUSE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE

SECTION 1. Section 49.103(b), Water Code, is amended to read as follows:  
(b) Unless a district holds its general election for officers on a date as otherwise provided by statute,

after [After] confirmation of a district, an election shall be held on the uniform election date, provided by Section 41.001, Election Code, in May of each even-

to elect the appropriate number of directors.

numbered year to elect the appropriate number of directors.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.

SECTION 2. Same as introduced version.